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SUBJECT: YEMEN ON KOREAN ISSUE AT UNGA

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1. DURING SEPTEMBER 21, MEETING FOREIGN MINISTER AL-ASNAJ TOLD ME THAT YEMEN'S POSITION ON KOREAN ISSUE AT CURRENT INGA SESSION WILL BE IN LINE WITH INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED EARLIER THIS YEAR (SEE REFTEL) TO YEMENI UN DELEGATION THAT (A) YEMEN NOT CO-SPONSOR ANY KOREAN RESOLUTION (AS IT HAS IN THE PAST; AND (B) YEMEN "ABSENT" ITSELF DURING ANY VOTING ON THE ISSUE.

2. COMMENT. THIS IS THE BEST WE CAN HOPE FOR FROM YEMEN, GIVEN ITS LONG-STANDING RELATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA AND THE CONTINUED ABSENCE OF ANY SOUTH KOREAN MOVEMENT TOWARD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMERCIAL OR DIPLOMATIC TIES. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO WORK TO FIRM UP THIS POSITION SO THAT WE DO NOT HAVE A REPETITION OF THE FIASCO OF LAST YEAR WHICH WE THINK UNLIKELY GIVEN THE RECENT APPOINTMENT OF A FOREIGN MINISTRY FUNCTIONAIRE AS YEMEN'S PERM REP. LATTER CAN BAE COUNTED ON TO
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FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS UNLIKE HIS PREDECESSOR WHO WAS A

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